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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 18

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government, February 1, 2011, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 147.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to limits upon corporate franchise tax liabilities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 147.010, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 147.010, to read as follows:

147.010. 1. For the transitional year defined in subsection 4 of this section and each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1980, but before January 1, 2000, every corporation organized pursuant to or subject to chapter 351 or pursuant to any other law of this state shall, in addition to all other fees and taxes now required or paid, pay an annual franchise tax to the state of Missouri equal to one-twentieth of one percent of the par value of its outstanding shares and surplus if its outstanding shares and surplus exceed two hundred thousand dollars, or if the outstanding shares of such corporation or any part thereof consist of shares without par value, then, in that event, for the purpose contained in this section, such shares shall be considered as having a value of five 10 dollars per share unless the actual value of such shares exceeds five dollars per 11 12 share, in which case the tax shall be levied and collected on the actual value and the surplus if the actual value and the surplus exceed two hundred thousand 13 14 dollars. If such corporation employs a part of its outstanding shares in business 15 in another state or country, then such corporation shall pay an annual franchise 16 tax equal to one-twentieth of one percent of its outstanding shares and surplus employed in this state if its outstanding shares and surplus employed in this 17

state exceed two hundred thousand dollars, and for the purposes of sections

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147.010 to 147.120, such corporation shall be deemed to have employed in this 19 20 state that proportion of its entire outstanding shares and surplus that its property and assets employed in this state bears to all its property and assets 2122wherever located. A foreign corporation engaged in business in this state, whether pursuant to a certificate of authority issued pursuant to chapter 351 or 2324not, shall be subject to this section. Any corporation whose outstanding shares and surplus as calculated in this subsection does not exceed two hundred 2526thousand dollars shall state that fact on the annual report form prescribed by the 27 secretary of state. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, but ending before December 31, 2009, the annual franchise tax shall be equal to 2829 one-thirtieth of one percent of the corporation's outstanding shares and surplus if the outstanding shares and surplus exceed one million dollars. Any corporation 30 whose outstanding shares and surplus do not exceed one million dollars shall 31 32state that fact on the annual report form prescribed by the director of revenue. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, but ending 33 before December 31, 2010, the annual franchise tax shall be equal to 34 one-thirtieth of one percent of the corporation's outstanding shares and surplus 35 if the outstanding shares and surplus exceed ten million dollars, and any 36 corporation whose outstanding shares and surplus do not exceed ten million 37 38 dollars shall state that fact on the annual report form prescribed by the director 39 of revenue. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, the annual franchise tax shall be equal to one-thirtieth of one percent 40 of the corporation's outstanding shares and surplus if the outstanding 41 shares and surplus exceed ten million dollars, but in no case shall a 42corporation's annual tax liability under this chapter exceed the amount 43 of annual franchise tax liability of such corporation for the taxable 44 year ending on or before December 31, 2010. If the corporation had no 4546 annual franchise tax liability under this chapter for the taxable year ending on or before December 31, 2010, because such corporation was 47 not in existence or doing business in Missouri, the annual franchise tax 48 for the first taxable year in which such corporation exists shall be equal to one-thirtieth of one percent of the corporation's outstanding 50shares and surplus if the outstanding shares and surplus exceed ten 51 million dollars, but in no case shall such corporation's tax liability for 52any subsequent taxable year exceed the amount of annual franchise tax 53 liability of such corporation for the first full taxable year such

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55 corporation was in existence or doing business in Missouri. Any 56 corporation whose outstanding shares and surplus do not exceed ten 57 million dollars shall state that fact on the annual report form 58 prescribed by the director of revenue.

- 59 2. Sections 147.010 to 147.120 shall not apply to corporations not 60 organized for profit, nor to corporations organized pursuant to the provisions of chapter 349, nor to express companies, which now pay an annual tax on their 61 62 gross receipts in this state, nor to insurance companies, which are subject to an 63 annual tax on their premium receipts in this state, nor to state, district, county, town and farmers' mutual companies now organized or that may be hereafter 64 65 organized pursuant to any of the laws of this state, organized for the sole purpose 66 of writing fire, lightning, windstorm, tornado, cyclone, hail and plate glass and 67 mutual automobile insurance and for the purpose of paying any loss incurred by any member by assessment, nor to any mutual insurance corporation not having 68 69 shares, nor to a company or association organized to transact business of life or 70 accident insurance on the assessment plan for the purpose of mutual protection 71and benefit to its members and the payment of stipulated sums of moneys to the 72 family, heirs, executors, administrators or assigns of the deceased member, nor to foreign life, fire, accident, surety, liability, steam boiler, tornado, health, or 73 other kind of insurance company of whatever nature coming within the provisions 7475of section 147.050 and doing business in this state, nor to savings and loan 76 associations and domestic and foreign regulated investment companies as defined 77 by Section 170 of the Act of Congress commonly known as the Revenue Act of 78 1942, nor to electric and telephone corporations organized pursuant to chapter 351 and chapter 392 prior to January 1, 1980, which have been declared 79 tax-exempt organizations pursuant to Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code 80 of 1986, nor for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1986, to banking 81 institutions subject to the annual franchise tax imposed by sections 148.010 to 82 148.110; but bank deposits shall be considered as funds of the individual 83 depositor left for safekeeping and shall not be considered in computing the 84 amount of tax collectible pursuant to the provisions of sections 147.010 to 85 86 147.120.
- 3. A corporation's taxable year for purposes of sections 147.010 to 147.120 shall be its taxable year as provided in section 143.271.
- 4. A corporation's transitional year for the purposes of sections 147.010 to 147.120 shall be its taxable year which includes parts of each of the years 1979

- 91 and 1980.
- 92 5. The franchise tax payable for a corporation's transitional year shall be

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- 93 computed by multiplying the amount otherwise due for that year by a fraction,
- 94 the numerator of which is the number of months between January 1, 1980, and
- 95 the end of the taxable year and the denominator of which is twelve. The
- 96 franchise tax payable, if a corporation's taxable year is changed as provided in
- 97 section 143.271, shall be similarly computed pursuant to regulations prescribed
- 98 by the director of revenue.
- 99 6. All franchise reports and franchise taxes shall be returned to the
- 100 director of revenue. All checks and drafts remitted for payment of franchise taxes
- shall be made payable to the director of revenue.
- 7. Pursuant to section 32.057, the director of revenue shall maintain the
- 103 confidentiality of all franchise tax reports returned to the director.
- 104 8. The director of the department of revenue shall honor all existing
- 105 agreements between taxpayers and the director of the department of revenue.

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